初恋交差

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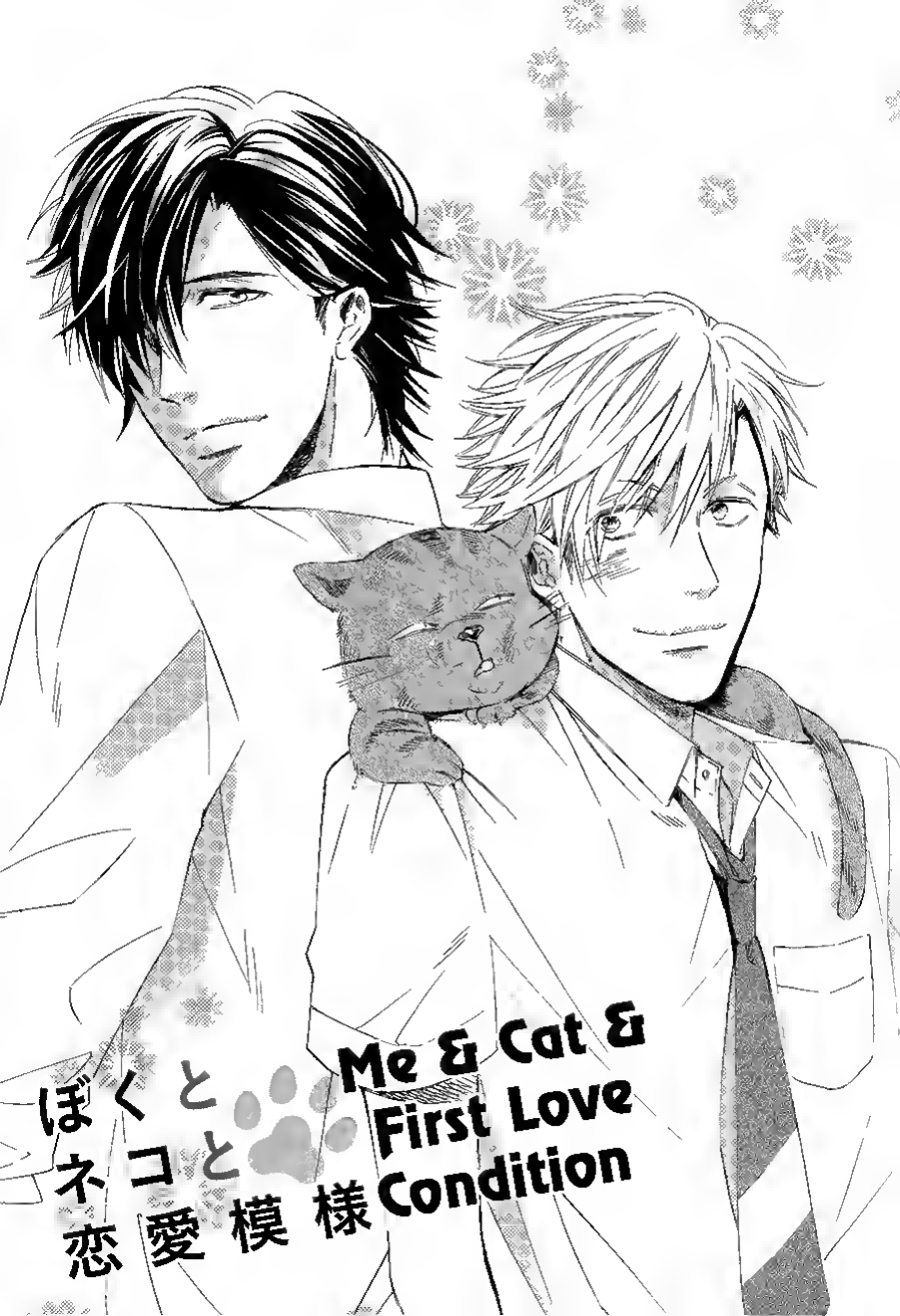
ぼくとネコと恋愛模様
Me & Cat & First Love Condition

I'm Kirishima Masao--Tokyo suburb resident and public high-school student.
I make mediocre grades, and I guess I like meat.
KIRISHIMA
MORNIN'.
GOOD MORNING, MASAO. BREAKFAST IS READY.
AH... 'KAY.
There's nothing terribly special about me. I'm just blandly normal.
And the one little thing...
...that brightens the day of this run-of-the-mill second-year student is...
OH MY, SOUNDS LIKE OUR NEIGHBORS ARE FIGHTING AGAIN
I-- ...I'M HEADING OUT
scramble

SLAM
roll
OPEN
dash
!?
roll
THUNK
roll
owww
TAI-CHAN?! ARE YOU OKAY?
...is my neighbor and child-hood friend

"MOR-NIN"...?
FORGET THE GREET-ING! ARE YOU HURT AT ALL?
NAAAAH, I'M FINE! I'M USED TO THIS!
smile
Ah!
MORNIN', MAA-CHAN!
Tai-chan, aka Kurokawa Taisuke.
NO LYING!
Your elbow's bleeding!
Tai-chan lives with his rather bad-tempered father.
NO
toddle
All it needs is a little spit and I'll be good as new!

ARE YOU HURT ANY-WHERE ELSE, TAI-CHAN?
OR DO YOU FEEL BAD ANYWHERE?
My head!
I DON'T HAVE ANY MEDICINE FOR THAT NOW. .
whoo whoo
BOOO!
HAHA.
G'morning, Bunya-san!
It looks terribly rough as I see it. .
...but it just rolls off of Tai-chan's back.
MEOOOOOW!!
WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?!
But while he may seem quite flighty...

HEEEY!
HEEEY!!
!
TAISUKEEEE, I HEAR YOUR FOLKS ARE ON THE VERGE OF DIVORCE CAUSE YOUR POPS KEEPS BEATIN' ON YOUR OLD LADY!
Tsk!
.....
Noooo Maa chan! Don't!!
MASAO'S SUCH A LOSER FOR HANGIN' OUT WITH YOU!!
SNAP
HAVE A DON'T TALK SHIT ABOUT MAA-CHAN KICK!!
SLAM
OOF!
Ever since we were kids...
...he's always flown off the handle when it came to me.

I'M SORRY, TAISUKE.
When he was 8 years old, his mother finally got fed up with his father...
I'm sure he did it because he was my best friend,
but the sight of him doing that started to send a thrill through me.
Hmph!
MOMMY CAN'T STAY HERE ANY LONGER
LOOK AFTER YOUR FATHER FOR ME, 'KAY?
AH...
...and abandoned him.

From that moment...
...I WILL!
TAI-CHAN...
...IS CRYING.
reach
DON'T CRY, TAI-CHAN.
...that I would treasure him for the rest of my life.
...I swore...

A RATHER BEAUTIFUL MEMORY IF I DO SAY SO MYSELF!
So bright
AH!
HM?
THAT REMINDS ME,
lift
I SCRAPED HERE THIS MORNING
But the one thing I never expected...
twitch
STARE

...was for my thoughts of how adorable he was to turn romantic...
CAN'T BELIEVE HE'S JUST FLASHING ME HIS NIP LIKE THAT!
HOW ABOUT WE..PUT A BANDAGE ON THAT THEN..
'KAY..
Hm?
GULP
GRIND
GRIND
GRIND
GRIND
GRIND
GRIND
...who occasionally finds himself unconsciously looking upon his best friend with THOSE intentions...
...leaving me here, a healthy 17-year-old boy..
I'M JUST APPLYING A BANDAGE, THAT'S IT!

rustle
HUH..?
WHAT'S THIS?
...OH, SURE.
YOU'RE DOTTED WITH BRUISES.
YOU REALLY NEED TO BE MORE CAREFUL HERE.
But...
poke

I don't want to ruin this precious relationship I have with my childhood friend.
I can't ruin it
Nao chan, we're late!
sigh
GUESS I'VE JUST GOTTA GRIN AND BEAR IT
After School
IT'S ANNOYING, BUT I GUESS I'LL HEAD TO MY CLUB ACTIVITIES NOW.
calligraphy club
Sleepy
Wobble
SLIDE
AH

HUH...?
DID I GET THE WRONG CLASSROOM?
EH?
!?
MA--

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING?!
YOU'RE A TEACHER!
YOU--
MAA-CHAN!
HELP!!
BETTER SNAP A SHOT AS PROOF...
SHOCK
I was actually able to keep my cool even though I was furious.
Thinking things like, 'He's begging for my help because he's in trouble,'
and, 'I should take a picture to use as evidence'
MAA-CHAN!

And I somehow managed to avoid..
Maa-chan!!
SLAM
...thinking, '...Someone else got to him first.'
shhh
murmur
NURSE
...SO HOW LONG?
murmur
HUH...?
HOW LONG HAS HE...
..BEEN PULLING THAT KIND OF SHIT WITH YOU?
UMM.. I GUESS SINCE.. LAST MONTH?
WAIT, JUST--
HOW MUCH DID HE DO TO YOU...?

JOLT
Ah-
I mean-
How much-?!
..QUITE A BIT.
WHEN HE SAW ALL OF THOSE BRUISES,
HE FIGURED MY OLD MAN WAS BEATIN' UP ON ME.
SO HE SAID HE'D COME TO MY HOUSE..
shhh...
AND WHEN I TOLD HIM THAT'D JUST CAUSE MORE PROBLEMS,
THIS KIND OF JUST.. HAPPENED.
clench
..WELL, IT HURT A LITTLE, BUT STILL..
THIS KINDA THING IS..
AH, BUT--
I'M NOT SOME GIRL, YOU KNOW!

IT'S REALLY NO BIG DEAL!
I'M TOTALLY FINE!
SO..
I TRIED TO WASH YOUR SHIRT FOR YOU..
plip
plip
.. BUT HIS NOSEBLEED WAS FILTHY. SO I'LL JUST TOSS IT OUT.

.. MAA-CHAN...
wilt
ARE YOU ANG--
M-- Maa-chan?!
I AM..
BAM BAM
!?
JOLT
BAM BAM BAM
BAM
I AM ANGRY.
OF COURSE I AM.
WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT HE THINKING?!
I DON'T GET THAT FUCKING TEACHER...
BUT...

clench
THE ONE I'M MOST PISSED-OFF AT...
...IS MYSELF.

...WHY?
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO SAVED ME BACK THERE!
NO!
tremble
I DIDN'T SAVE YOU AT ALL!
Going on and on about treasuring him, protecting him...
Just thinking I want to do that kind of thing won't help anything!
I DIDN'T MAKE IT IN TIME.
I DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING.

EEH?!
ME...
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
AND JUST SO YOU KNOW--
I'M MAD AT YOU TOO!
I DIDN'T HELP AT ALL...
Just pretty words to satisfy myself
Uwah!
WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME ANYTHING?!
BAM
IT'S JUST...
I WANTED TO BE THE ONE TO PROTECT YOU!

SHOCK
S--SORRY!
I DUNNO WHAT JUST CAME OVER ME...
YOU'RE THE ONE THAT GOT HURT HERE AND I WENT AND...
CLANG
STAND
CLATTER
UWAH!
CRAP...

tug
Kiss
!?
I...
...STILL HADN'T...
sparkle
sparkle
...BEEN KISSED BY ANYONE YET!

Y...
DID I TAKE WHAT YOU MEANT...
YEAH!
ABSO-LUTELY!
...CORRECTLY?
rustle

PRESS
unzip
kiss
kiss
kiss
DID HE..
.....

Y--
YEAH...
clench
...GIVE YOU THESE?
...
bite
WHERE ELSE?

EH?!
LIM... DO--
"DO"?
WHERE ELSE DID HE TOUCH YOU...?
Point
DOWN... THERE.
In other words...
"DOWN THERE"
EH?!
EH?
HUH?
GOTCHA.
YOU GOT IT?!
nod

GLANCE
blush
.....
MA--
MAA-CHAN...
THIS IS... KINDA...
HM?
suckle
lick
blush
OH GEEZ
WHY IS IT THAT WHEN SENSEI DID IT TO ME, I HATED IT...
BUT NOW THAT YOU'RE DOING IT, IT FEELS SO GOOD?

!?
STAND
.....
!!!
huff
AH
WHAT?!
clink
clink
SORRY, LET ME RUB OFF ON YOU?
YES?!
ARGH GEEZ! I CAN'T TAKE IT!
Hya
SCHLICK
Nn!
CHA-!
W--WAIT, HOLD UP, MAA-
TAI-CHAN...
SCHLICK
HEY... TAI-CHAN...
huff
UGH...
TAI-CHAN...!

huff
huff
DAMMIT.
I WANT TO KILL...
huff
...THE GUY WHO LAID A HAND ON YOU FIRST...!
'I want to treasure him for the rest of my life'...
'I don't want to ruin our childhood friendship'...

TAI-CHAN...
IDIOT!
clench
GRAB
I really did think that kind of thing...
...but for some reason, the only words that came out of my mouth were horrible...
ah
AH
But I think... I was being more honest with myself like that than I ever have been.

Text: LOVE
愛
voila'
Hmph.
SWISH
SWISH
SWISH
SWISH
SWISH
SWISH
BAM
SO?
HM.
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU WRITING HERE AFTER COMING LATE?!
limp
Ah!
It just overflowed and I couldn't help it...!
It--
CLONK
POSE
OW!

So now,
I feel I must edit my personal profile in one respect.
My next-door-neighbor Tai-chan has joyously...
...HAS JOYOUSLY
...WAIT, DID I ACTUALLY TELL HIM I WAS IN LOVE WITH HIM?
.....
Huh...?
...think I did...
I don't...
...become a potential romantic partner.
ARGH!!!
PIPE DOWN!
CLONK
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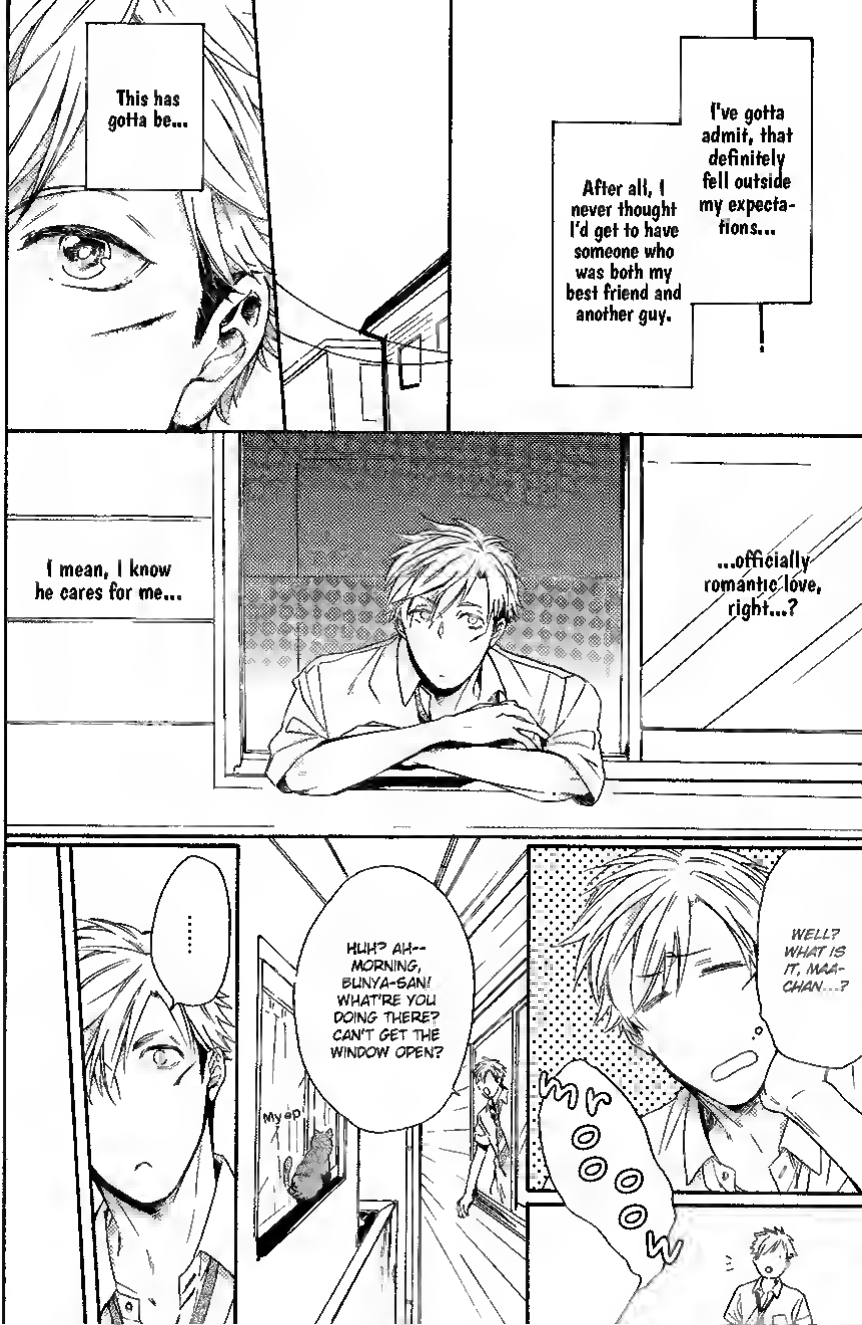
You take the good with the bad.
step
step
You never know what life's gonna throw you.
step
TO-
step
TO-
YO-
step
Kind of like I'm doing right now.
POPS! ARE YOU--
MORNIN'!

slice
--UP?
SHATTER
OWW!
...!
HEY!
Spend enough time with a foul-tempered father who drinks til he drops like this...
...and this turns out to be a hardly surprising start to the day...
Geez what a waste of a cup
But the one thing that HAS surprised me lately...
STIFLE IT!
I LOST MORE CUSTOMERS!
LIKE I CAN KEEP MY HEAD ON MY SHOULDERS UNDER THESE CONDITIONS!
WATCH IT, OLD MAN! WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA, FIRST THING IN THE MORNING?!

huff
NOW JUST PLAY NICE, KUROKAWA...
...is this.
ART ROOM
One of the teachers at school was feeling me up...
RATTLE
...my childhood friend and best bud Maa-chan made his entrance!
...and it kept escalating from there, and just when I thought I couldn't take it anymore...
Then he warned the teacher never to lay a finger on me again.
Maa-chan made sure to snap a pic as evidence--and then kicked the teacher's ass!
IT'S JUST...

I was so happy when he said that to me...
dash
...I WANTED TO BE THE ONE TO PROTECT YOU!
smoo-
ch!
I didn't even think about it when I kissed him...and it led to this kind of thing...
...and THAT kind of thing...

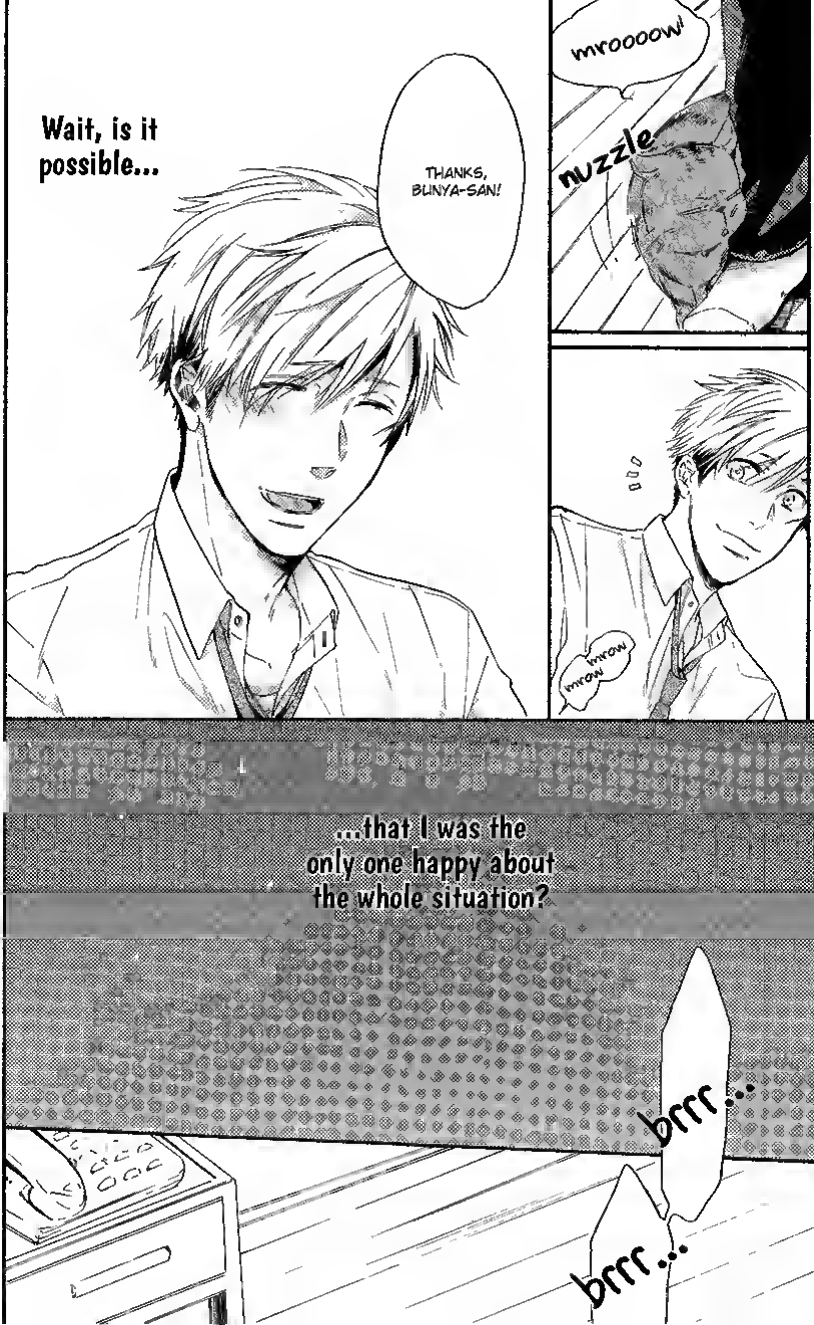

This has gotta be...
I've gotta admit, that definitely fell outside my expectations...
After all, I never thought I'd get to have someone who was both my best friend and another guy.
I mean, I know he cares for me...
...officially romantic love, right...?
.....
HUH? AH-- MORNING, BUNYA-SAN! WHAT'RE YOU DOING THERE? CAN'T GET THE WINDOW OPEN?
Myaa
WELL? WHAT IS IT, MAA-CHAN...?
Mrooow

CLATTER
Mornin' Maa-chan!
EEK!
"Eek"
This window is my and Maa-chan's secret passageway.
Ooh, hey, you got a bandaid?
SURE. What do you need one for?
WELL BUNYA-SAN WAS TRYING TO GET IN, BUT THE WINDOW WASN'T OPEN, SO...
OH, I MEAN, GOOD MORNING? WHAT'S UP...?
O-OH...

Ever since we were kids, whenever anything would happen, I'd just tap on this window,
and Maa-chan would welcome me inside with a gentle smile.
HERE WE GO.
But Maa-chan...
I've been in love with him since those days...
THAN--

W--
WELL, SEE YA...
"GOING AHEAD"?! BUT-- WHY?
HEY-- WAIT!
I'M GOING AHEAD TO SCHOOL...
--KS?
dash
SLAP
EH?!
WHA-

SHUT...
I'VE... GOT SOME BUSI-NESS TO TAKE CARE OF...


Wait, is it possible...
THANKS, BUNYA-SAN!
mroooow
nuzzle
mrow
mrow
...that I was the only one happy about the whole situation?
brrr...
brrr...

YES? KURO-KAWA RESI-DENCE
Ah, Taisuke?
It's your mother!
..WHAT DO YOU WANT?
Oh come on!
What do I want?
I was simply wonder-ing how you were doing!
So? Any-thing the matter?
How's your father?
Same as ever, right?
Ah, you don't have to say. I can guess.
..YEAH

HE HASN'T CHANGED A BIT FROM BEFORE! NOT ONE BIT, SO THERE'S NOTHING TO REPORT!
STILL DRINKS LIKE A FISH, STILL BREAKS EVERYTHING HE TOUCHES!
NOTHING AT ALL!
babble
babble
babble
SFX SLAM
ガチャ
SO--
I'M HANGING UP NOW!
Wai-
EH?
SAME OLD, SAME OLD!
GRIN
I-Inhale
SORRY, MOM... I CAN'T MUSTER UP THE STRENGTH TO TALK...
A father who's still the same and a mother who, even after divorcing him, is still the same too...
And my relationship with Maa-chan that I was so happy thinking had changed as well...

FORGET CHANGING—!
WE'RE REGRESSING
thunk
ARG-H
GEEZ
WHAT THE HECK WAS THAT "BUSI-NESS" MAA-CHAN?!

HOW'S MAA-CHAN FEELING?
OH...
IT WAS SO KIND OF YOU TO COME ALL THIS WAY FOR A SICK VISIT, TAI-CHAN!
NAH!
MASAO SHOULD HAVE LET YOU KNOW HE WAS GOING TO STAY HOME!

HE'S BEEN THINKING SOME-THING OVER SINCE THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY, SO I'M SURE THAT BROUGHT IT ON.
HE'S SUCH A HANDFUL SOMETIMES!
HE'S PER-FECTLY FINE, QUITE ALL RIGHT!
HE'S JUST SKIPPING TODAY.
HUH...?

AGH
poke
NGH..
NN...
KNOCK
KNOCK
rustle
WHAT THE HECK AM I DOING...?
WHA...
MAA-CHAN?
WHY ARE YOU...

I BROUGHT THE WORK-SHEET WE GOT TODAY.
AND ALSO.
TA...TAI-CHAN...!
BADUMP
TAI-CHAN... CAME TO SEE ME...
I HEARD YOU HAD A COLD.
...SO I CAME TO CHECK IN ON YOU.
I WANT TO SEE HIM... TO SEE HIM.
...AND HUG HIM

TO HUG HIM... AND KISS HIM
MAA-CHAN,
OPEN THE DOOR...?
JOLT
If I open that door...
I won't be able to hold myself back.
BUT IF I OPEN IT...
I'M SORRY... I CAN'T

I'M SORRY.
OH, GOTCHA.
So sorry
I UNDERSTAND.

...so whenever something bad happens, I've learned to take this outlook--
You never know what life'll throw your way...
BEEP
BEEP

Whoo!
"Just laugh it off!"
"Send it packing!"

"Maa-chan..."
"Did I grossed you out in the nurse's office?"
"I'm sorry."
"Just forget it."
.....
sigh
MAYBE I'LL DROP BY THE CONVENIENCE STORE...
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
HM...?

SFX: CHARGING FORWARD
!?
ダダダダ
MAA-CHAN?!
EH? BUT WHY ARE YOU...?
TAI-CHAN,
huff
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
THE...
CONVENI-ENCE STORE?
...NO.
Ah!

YOU'RE GOING TO COME WITH ME.
YOU'RE NOT.
..TO THE PARK
AND THEN ..

. . WE'RE GOING TO KISS.
I'M SORRY
I MESSED UP A LOT OF STUFF.
IT DIDN'T GROSS ME OUT AT ALL

I COULDN'T CONTROL MYSELF
I WAS AFRAID I'D WIND UP DOING SOMETHING HORRIBLE TO YOU.
IN FACT...
IT FELT GREAT.
TOO GOOD, ACTUALLY.
BUT RIGHT NOW, I JUST
...WANT TO TOUCH YOU MORE
SO MUCH MORE...
brush

LET'S TOUCH A LOT MORE!
THEN C'MON
squeeze
Hn...
Ma-
Maa-chan...
schlick
schlick
Ha!
ah
AH

!!!
HA!
bump
Ha
haa...

.....
huff
I--
I'M SORRY! IT SLIPPED!
IDIOT.
Eh?!
THAT'S WHEN YOU'RE SUPPOSED...

...TO STICK IT IN!
SNAP
WHO ARE YOU CALLING...
...AN IDIOT?
LIPT
THRUST

ha
Ah!
Ow
Ha
ha
it
rts!
Nw...
Ah...
um
um
.....
EH?!
OWWW OWWW OWW!!
DON'T MOVE DAMMIT!
NGGGHH OWWW!

BUT THAT'S...
huff
huff
IT'S... MY FIRST TIME
I DUNNO WHAT TO DO...!
TA...
TAI-CHAN, DON'T CLENCH SO HARD...
You're gonna make me pop before I even get going!
NGH...
JOLT
ALL HE DID... WAS STICK A FINGER IN..
W--WAIT, BUT THE TEACHER WAS..?
EH?! NO WAY!
WHA..?
IT'S TRUE!
SERI-OUS-LY?
I'M SERI-OUS!!

PULL
TAI-CHAN!!
Nw...!
SORRY!
AH
ah-
SORRY--I CAN'T STOP.
AH-!
RIGHT
RIGHT
Ngh
SOR--
SORRY...!

FEELS SO AMA-ZING...!
Maa-chaaan?? You rea-dy yet?
JUST A BIT LONGER!
You never can tell what life will throw your way.
And that's why, whenever something good happens...

...I put on a huge smile!

CHAPTER 2 / END

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Me & Cat & Passions of the Flesh

ぼくとネコと煩悩事情

My family owns one cat.
WHAT'RE YOU DOING, BUNYA-SAN?
mreeee
But there's another...
AAH...
mrow
CLATTER
...from next door...
...that comes through the window...
...from time to time.

The cat that lives next door is Kurokawa Taisuke.
tug
SHEE?
CHECK IT OUT! I'M MISSING A TOOTH HERE, AREN'T I?
WHAT HAPPENED THERE?
MM, WELL, MY OLD MAN KINDA FLEW OFF THE HANDLE THE OTHER DAY...
AKA Tai-chan, he's lived a relatively rough life,
thanks to his alcoholic father.
WHEN I WENT TO CALM HIM DOWN, WE KINDA COLLIDED, AND IT POPPED OUT...
I SEE...
His mother abandoned them because of that.
MM, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE IT WAS ONE OF MY BABY TEETH.

rustle
More importantly...
HIS TEETH... ARE REALLY SEXY
I WANNA STICK MY FINGER INTO THAT HOLE WHERE HE'S MISSING A TOOTH
MAA-CHAN?
MAA-CHAN? YOU LISTEN-ING?
MROW
horny
AT LEAST I WON'T BE MISSING ANY TEETH IN THE END!
I find it hard to believe he'd still have baby teeth at his age, but whatever.
CRAP...
dash
SIT UP
MROW!
AH!
HUH?

OH...
More importantly, I should probably explain...
...why I'm experiencing sexual desire for Tai-chan.
MAA-CHAN, ARE YOU HARD?
.....!!!
MAA-CHAN?
YES.
I'M SORRY.
To Bunya san, too
THERE WAS A MONSTER UNDER ME
Ohidoan

...why I'm having Tai-chan take care of me...
wff
And also...
slurp
slurp suck
slurp
Don't talk with your mouth full
H-HEY..
THUNK
OOF!
SFX: TWITCH
HAA...
MAA-HYAN...
'ZIT FEEL GOO...?
WELL--
'S HARD DO DELL FROM YOUR 'SPRESSION...
lick
!?!

Despite what we're doing, though...

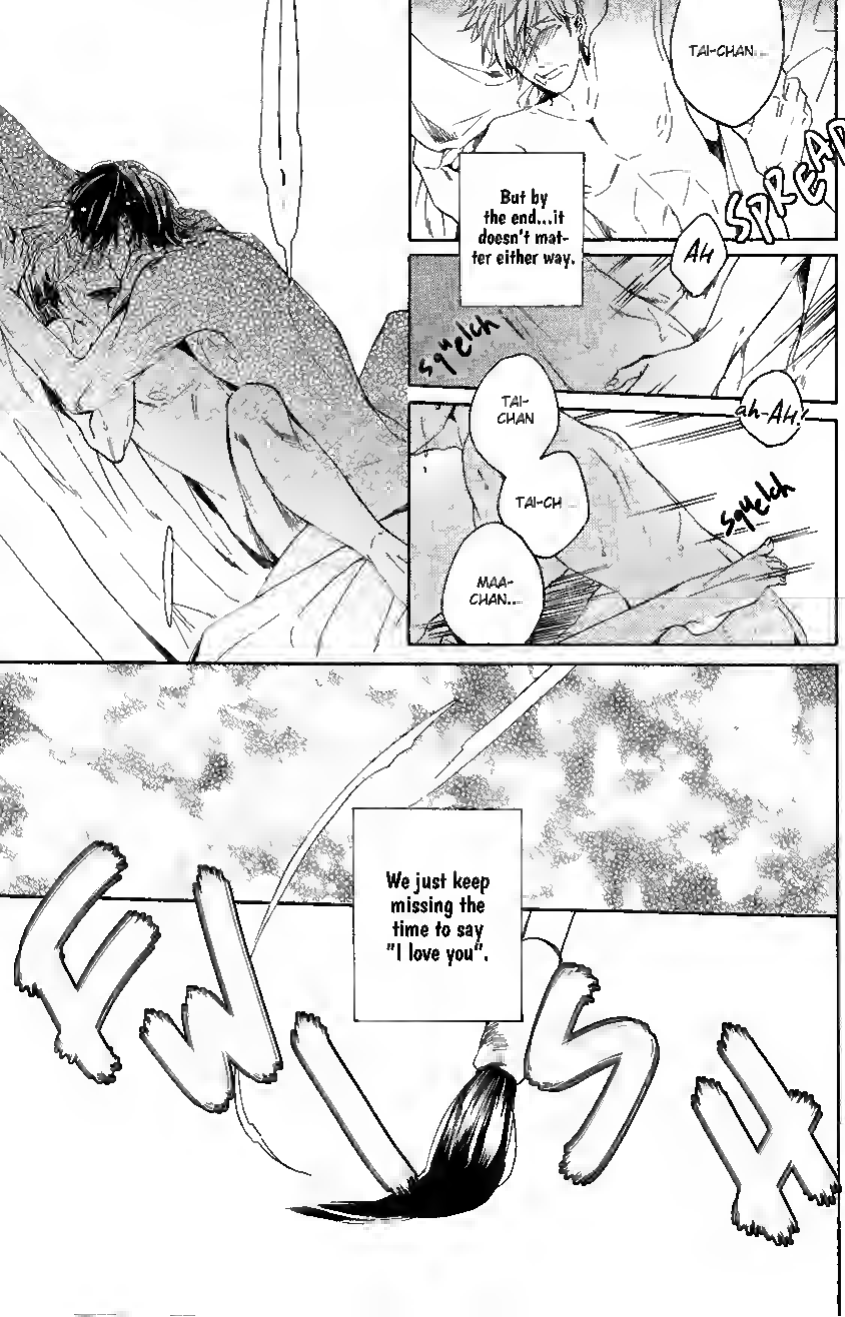
Suck-le
Nn

Mm
Mm...
Lick

I know it's wrong, I know that I need to let him know, but...

NN.

YOUR VOICE...
YOU'RE BEING TOO LOUD...
huff
huff
ah-
MMF
Tai-chan's still Tai-chan...
THRUST
AH
THRUST
AH
aah
COVER YOUR OWN MOUTH.
NN-!
HNG-!
THRUST
THRUST
He won't say he loves me either...
...or that he doesn't like doing this...
huff
huff
twitch
NGH!
SLAM


TAI-CHAN...
But by the end...it doesn't matter either way.
AH
SPREAD
squelch
TAI-CHAN
TAI-CH
MAA-CHAN...
ah-AH...
squelch
We just keep missing the time to say "I love you".
FWISH

I really do care for him. And yet...

FWAP

OWW!

THIS IS PATHETIC... EVEN FOR ME
I don't have the confidence...
rustle
煩悩
桐島辰生
...to maintain that these feelings aren't just passions of the flesh...
rustle
Maybe I'm just one of those people who gets hot thinking about guys.
He got mad at me
Maybe I'm not turned on by Tai-chan...
THOUGH I GUESS I AM ONE OF THOSE, AT THAT...
Girls don't turn me on
I'm just lusting after the guy who's nearest to me...
sigh
UGH THIS SUCKS
JOLT
HEY! KIRI-SHIMA!

Hey there!
glance
GRIN
SLUMP
TAI-CHAN?!
Fooound you!
here!
SHOVE
ONE OF THE SHOP LADIES GAVE ME SOME EXTRA BREAD WHEN I WAS HANGING AROUND!
BUT... WHY ARE YOU...?
Lessee
I THOUGHT WE COULD SHARE, BUT I COULDN'T FIND YOU, SO I CAME LOOKING FOR YOU!
I SEE...
SORR--
SOOOO NOW THAT I'M HERE...

HUH...?
...ANYTHING BOTHERING YOU...?
IS THERE...
MAYBE I'M JUST READING TOO MUCH INTO IT,
BUT YOU'VE LOOKED LIKE YOU'RE WORRYING OVER SOMETHING LATELY...
Pok
SO I'M HERE TO BE A BUSY-BODY OVER YOU!
BADUMP...

I forgot to explain something important about Tai-chan...

...And he always shares that energy of his with me.
WELL GOOD THEN!
I DID HAVE SOMETHING ON MY MIND... BUT I'M FINE NOW!
...and really positive and forward-thinking.
He's super nice...

IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOU, TOO.
YOU RESOLVED EVERYTHING JUST BY SHOWING UP.
He's not just some cute guy who happens to be available...

It's because he's *him*.

SFX: SLAM
GRRR...
SORR-- THAT WASN'T WHAT I...
I completely screwed up what I wanted to say...!
SLAM
YOU IDIOT, MAA CHAN!
WAIT! THAT WAS JUST
KICK
But while it earned me a rare thrashing from Tai-chan...
I plan on taking the time from now on...
...to let him know what I meant to say and to correct this messed-up order we've gone about things.
END

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Me & Cat & Trouble with a Rare Guest

I'm Kirishima Masao, just your average 3rd-year high school student.
TAI-CHAN...
ARE YOU MAD...?
SLUMP
NO, I'M NOT.
SULLEN
I...
I SEE...
My next-door neighbor and best friend of 10 years.
This moody person next to me...Kurokawa Taisuke, aka Tai-chan.

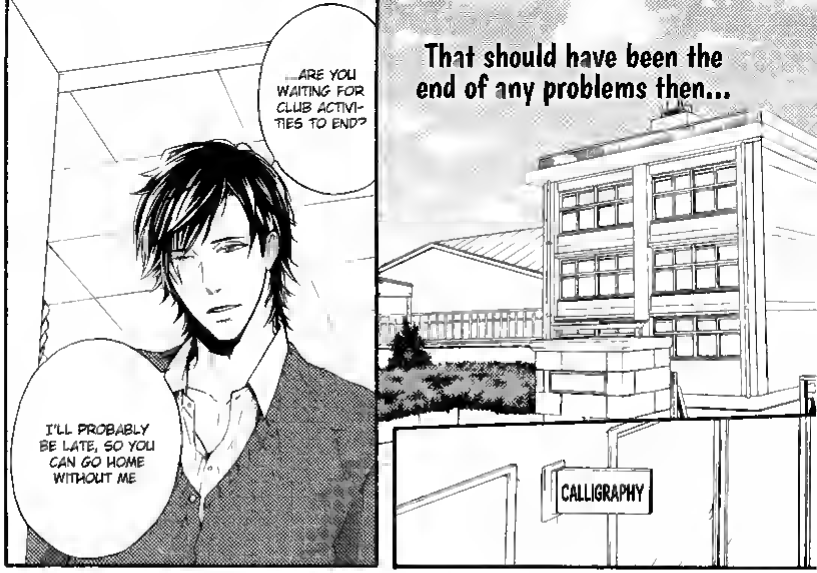
T--TAI-CHAN...
Oi~!
KIRISHIMAAA, KUROKAWAAA!
goofy smile
To make a long story short, we became lovers just the other day.
Well, your expression certainly seems a little pissed
WHAT'S UP WITH KUROKAWA? HE'S GOT THIS DARK AURA...
EH~?!
"Y'know?"
OH, UH, HE'S Y'KNOW...
Tai-chan's usually in amazingly high spirits,
so you may wonder what's put him in this mood today.
Well...

Please go out with me!
yawn
twist twist
HEY, HOLD ON JUST A MINUTE!
GRAB
Urk!

GL
I've been looking all oooover for you! Thanks for before!
Yuuup!
HUH?!
OMD
KIRISHIMA-KUN
Don't ignore me!
HUH? ME?!
You were soooooo cool!!
EH?!
pissed
It was love at first sight!
RUMBLING
WAI...
Do you have a girl-friend?
JUST A MI--

!
You don't remember me...?
RUMBLING
I'M SORRY, WHO ARE YOU AGAIN?
If not, then please go out with--
EH?!

...YOU REALLY...
.....
...SERIOUSLY DON'T REMEMBER HER?
NGH.. NO, I DON'T.
SHE WAS GOING ON ABOUT HOW CLASSES WERE A-BOUT TO START AND RAN OFF...
I STILL DON'T HAVE A CLUE WHO SHE IS
BUT HER UNIFORM WAS FROM ANOTHER SCHOOL--MAYBE SHE MISTOOK ME FOR SOMEONE ELSE...?


...ARE YOU WAITING FOR CLUB ACTIVITIES TO END?
I'LL PROBABLY BE LATE, SO YOU CAN GO HOME WITHOUT ME
That should have been the end of any problems then...
CALLIGRAPHY

I *WANT* TO WAIT FOR YOU!
YOU SURE? I'LL ADMIT I'D RATHER WE GO HOME TOGETHER.
NOOO WAY! I'LL WAIT! NOT LIKE I HAVE ANYTHING BETTER TO DO!
PLUS...

hmph
SAYING SOMETHING CUTE LIKE THAT
BRUSH
...MEANS THAT OUR TRIP HOME
WH..
WHA..
...WILL BE STRAIGHT BACK TO MY PLACE!

Ah!
S-SORRY! I'LL TEXT WHEN I'M DONE HERE!
Ooh, then how about texting me as well??
OKAY GOTCHA.
RIGHT, WILL DO
Look at me goooo!
Nfufu
YOU LIST-EN-ING ??
MAA-CHAN?
THEN... I'LL FIND AN EMPTY ROOM TO WAIT IN
PERKY
PERKY
Oh, and can I get your mail address?
EH?!
!?

WHA--?!
YOU GUYS?!
I had them show me around!
"THEM"?
. . . Y ARE YOU HERE?
WH...
TACKLE
Right! And I promise I won't cause any trouble!
Plus-- I heard!
WELL SHE SAID SHE WAS GONNA WAIT AT THE FRONT GATES FOR YOU TO COME OUT!
WE TOOK PITY ON THE POOR THING!

YOU DON'T HAVE A GIRL-FRIEND, RIGHT?
NO, I...
...I DON'T HAVE ONE...
HEY! CLUB ACT-IVITIES ARE STARTING!
What're you doing there?
OH-- RIGHT!
Then how about I watch?!
HUH?!
...I'LL WATCH TOO, THEN
!?
WAI--
HUH?
EH?!

H—
HOW DID I GET MY-SELF INTO THIS SITU-ATION...?
rub
rub
SFX: SNAP
Stained
"Snap"?
A--ARE YOU OKAY?
DO YOU NEED A TOWEL?
Wait! Don't smear it!
CRAP, I GOT SOME INK ON ME!

TUG
leer
leer
SHOCK
Eh?!
Wai--
frantic
WAIT, I said!
flustered
dash
Strip!
EH?!
.....
WHY IS HE DOING EVERYTHING SHE TELLS HIM TO?

Right?? Toothpaste takes off ink easily!
Make sure to wash it properly later!
CAN'T BELIEVE YOU KNEW THAT—
WOW... IT ACTUALLY CAME OFF!
YEAH, I GUESS IT IS!
pfft
Knowing how to take care of yourself is pretty family-oriented, wouldn't you say??
Here you go!

HM?
Really?
YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THAT, KUROKAWA-KUN?
Like does he have a crush on anyone?
...AND YET I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM WITH A GIRLFRIEND!
DON'TCHA THINK THEY'RE HITTING IT OFF?
WAY TO GO, KIRI-SHIMA!
HE SEEMS REALLY POPULAR WITH THE LADIES...

HE WOULDN'T SAY—
Huh?!
BUT THAT'S THE IM-PORTANT PART!
You idiot!
I GUESS...
WELL, I DID HEAR HIM SAY BEFORE THAT HE HAD A GIRL HE LIKED.
NO WAY! WHO??

...HE JUST COULDN'T SAY...
OH YEAH, THAT REMINDS ME,
UMM... WHAT'S YOUR NAME AGAIN?
I'm Asami Marina!
I can't believe I didn't tell you!
SO, ASAMI-SAN... WHERE DO YOU KNOW ME FROM?
...I guess you DON'T remember after all!
S--sorry
Well...

SOMEONE, STOP THAT PURSE-SNATCHER!
YOU WAIT JUST A DARN MINUTE!
HEH, AS IF!
appear
GRAB
!?

TAKE CARE.
TH...
...was chasing after Tai-chan...
Hey, Kirishima-kun?
If you don't have a girlfriend, then would you...
BUT THAT WAS WHEN I
See??
...AT DEFINITELY HAPPENED.
I DO REMEMEBER.

ASAMI-SAN, I'M SORRY
YOU SEE..
TAI-CHAN..
Mutter

YEAH...
HE CAN'T EXACTLY SAY HE'S DATING A GUY...
I MEAN, I KNEW THAT AL-READY
I KNEW IT--
AND YET--
TAI-CHAN!

MAA-CHAN?!
THANK GOODNESS!
THERE YOU ARE!
CLUB ACTIVITIES ARE FINISHED
I TRIED CALLING, BUT YOU DIDN'T ANSWER.
Ah, sorry! I left my bag in the classroom!
IT'S FINE. I FIGURED YOU'D BE UP HERE
S--SO... THAT GIRL...
I TOLD HER ABOUT YOU AND THEN HAD HER LEAVE

I AM IN LOVE WITH YOU, TAI-CHAN.
I TOLD HER SO THAT WE WERE DATING...
I...
WHAT THE HECK...
WHY... WOULD YOU DO SUCH A STUPID THING?
HUH?!
.....

BURROW
WHAT IF SHE TELLS OTHERS?!
BURROW
YOU'RE SUCH AN IDIOT...!
GRAB
ruffle
WE'LL CROSS THAT BRIDGE WHEN WE GET TO IT.
FOR NOW...

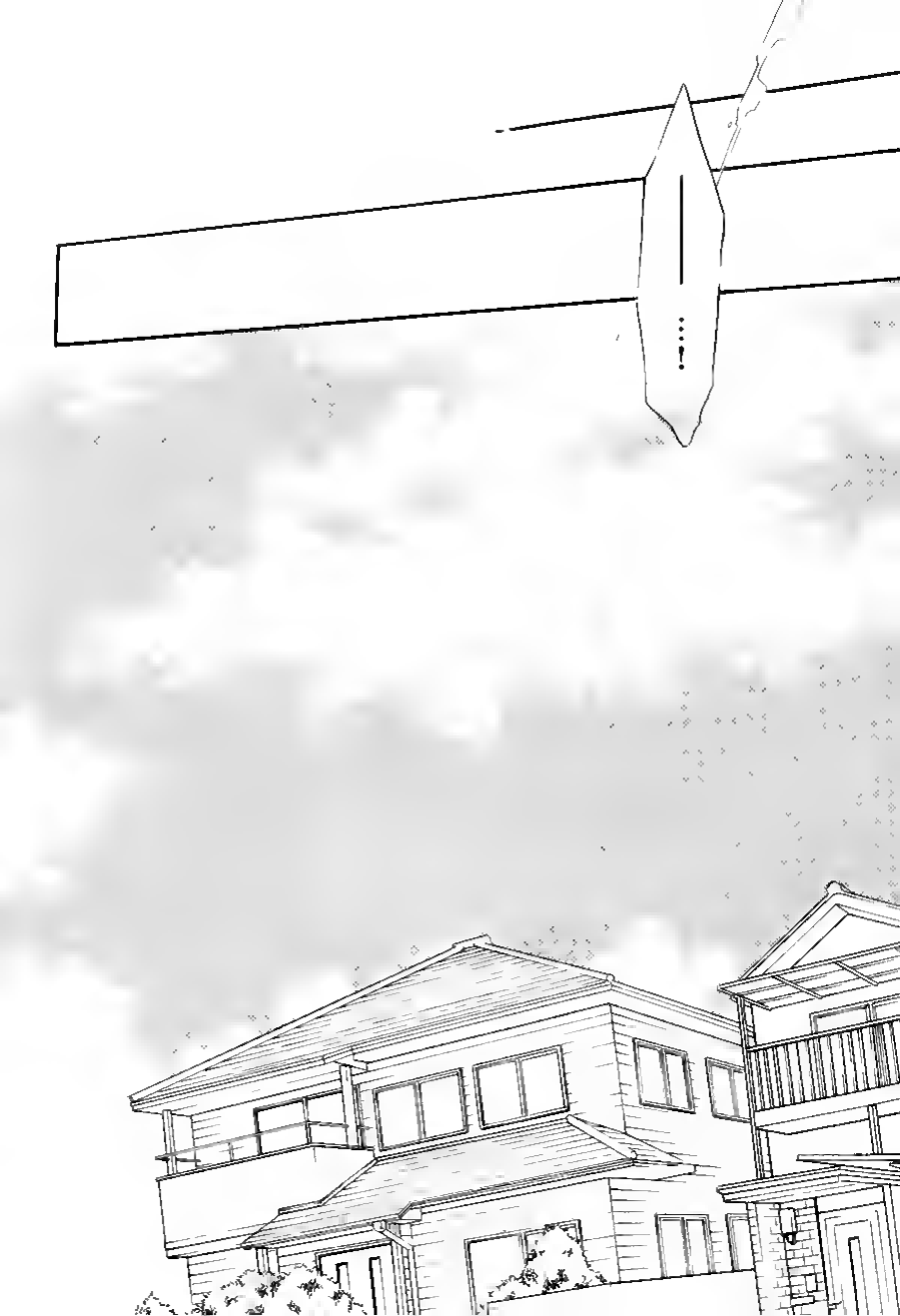
...LET'S HEAD HOME.
BY WAY OF MY PLACE.
GACHA
CLATTER
CLATTER
CLATTER

WHUMP
Mrow
!!!
Nya?!
Haa
ha-
ARE YOU MAD AT ME, TAI-CHAN?
Kiss
Nibble
slip

I'M NOT MAD. I WAS JUST POUTING, THAT'S ALL...
TAI-CHA...
unclasp
huff
zip
clink
clink
open
twitch
smackle
schlorp
schlorp
huff
huff
huff

I LOVE YOU
TAI-CHA...
ah-
ha
TAI-CHAN...
ha
Aam-
AH...!
HNG
Mm
ARE YOU IN A BETTER MOOD NOW?

whisper
WAY BETTER! I LOVE YOU!
TA...
...I-CHAN!
THRUST
AH
Haa-
TAI-CHAN
THRUST
Squelch
THRUST
Squelch
Mm
LOVE YOU!



Geh
So when that happens...
You're welcome to come crawling back to me any time!
PASS
So like I said--
You might realize you actually DO prefer girls!
After all, I'm DEFINITELY a better cook than he is!
Hmph!
grin

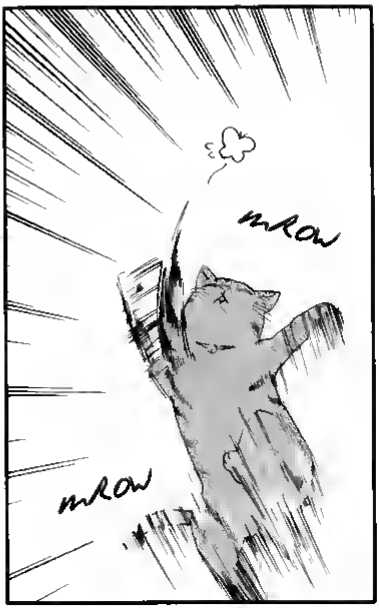
My beloved Tai-chan...

...can be something of a devil at times.

I've learned something new today.

ぼくとネコと珍客騒動／END

thump
thump


MROW
MROW

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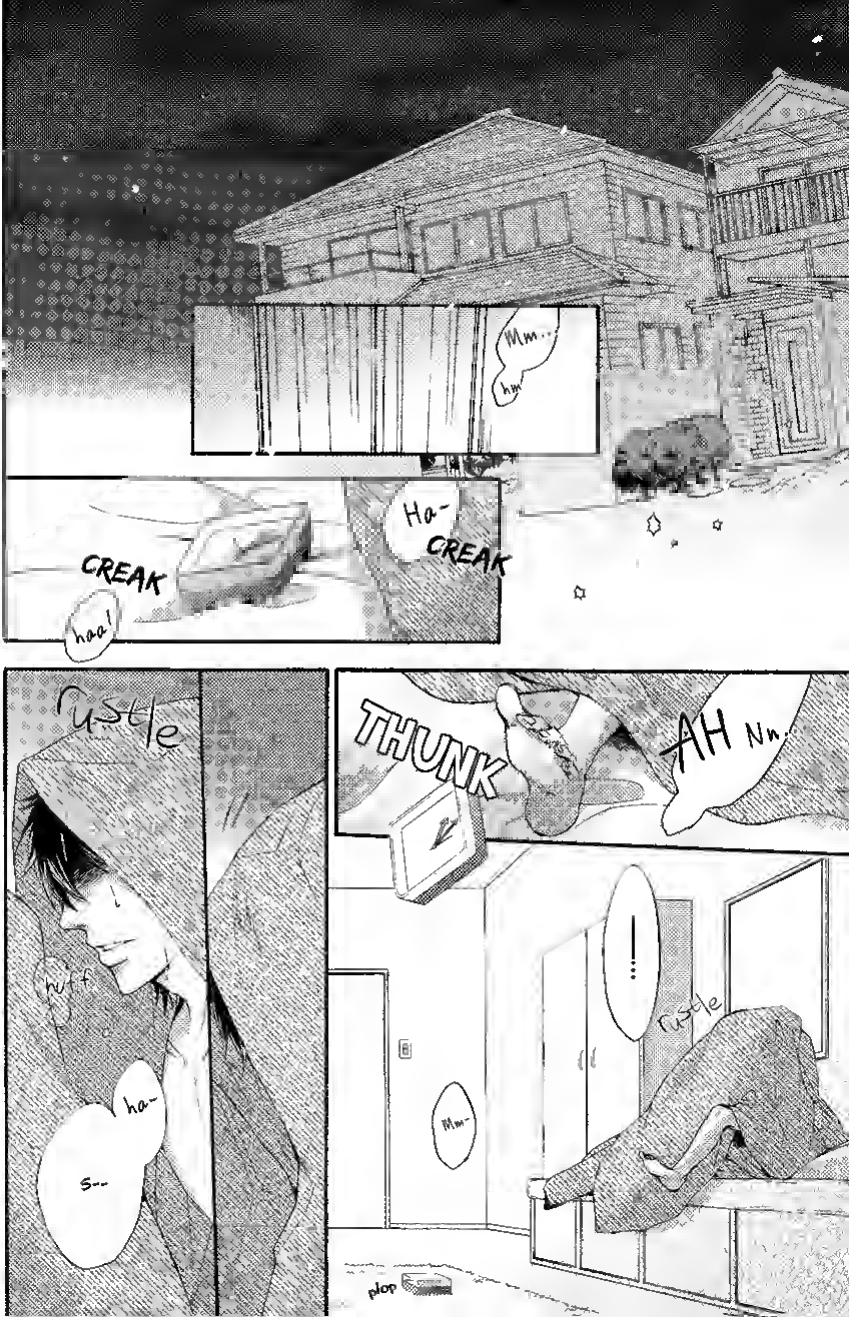
Me & Cat & Future Predictions


Mm...
hm
Ha-
CREAK
CREAK
haa!
rustle
huf
ha-
s--
THUNK
AH Nn..
!!!
rustle
Mm-
plop

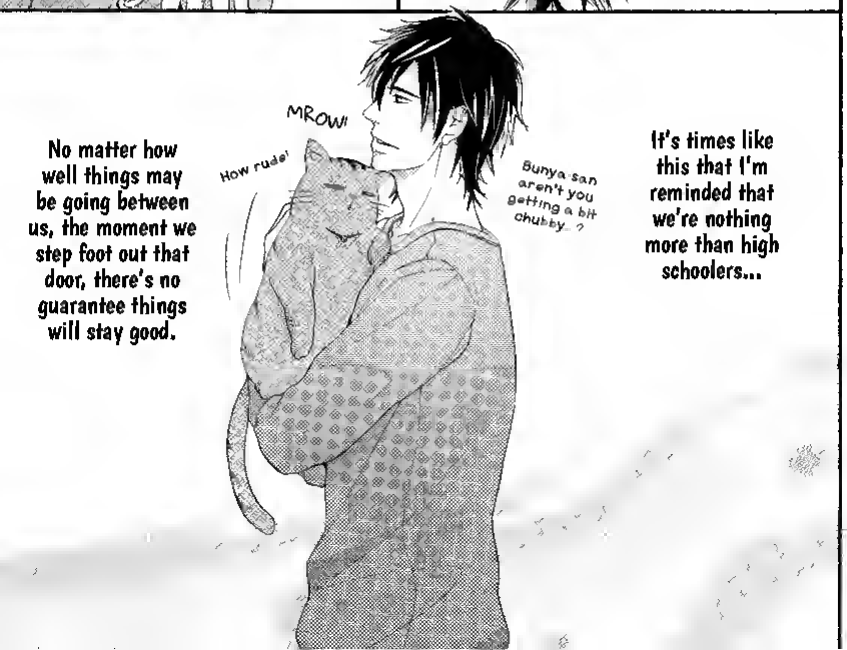
KEEP YOUR VOICE DOWN! MY PARENTS MIGHT WAKE UP...
SORRY, TAI-CHAN!
I'M GONNA MOVE, OKAY?
nod nod
I'M... REALLY CLOSE, TOO...
LET'S DO IT... TOGE-THER...
THRUST
THRUST
kiss
kiss
SPREAD
ha-AH!

AUGH!
PHWA
THUMP
I'M... STILL INSIDE YOU
TAI-CHAN, UMM...
TA...
It's hot!
Whap
Whap
We started out as childhood friends who lived next door to each other.
Sorry!
It's okay
But well, after much trial and tribulation...we're finally lovers!

I'M GONNA TAKE IT OUT NOW, 'KAY?
Yessir~
But...
We're still in high school.
slide...
And that...can be really irritating sometimes...
~whew
huff
So cute~

YEAH, THE SUN'S ALMOST UP.
YOU'RE LEAVING?
RATTLE
YIKES! IT'S FREEEEZING!
YOU COULD STAY AND SLEEP TIL YOU HAVE TO LEAVE, THOUGH...
grin
I'd love to, but no can do!
Gotta go!

MROW
So he left ?
C'MERE, BUNYA-SAN
Catch you later!
SHUT


No matter how well things may be going between us, the moment we step foot out that door, there's no guarantee things will stay good.
MROW!
How rude!
Bunya-san aren't you getting a bit chubby...?
It's times like this that I'm reminded that we're nothing more than high schoolers...

NYA!

SLAP

I WONDER IF THEY'D FORBID US FROM SEEING EACH OTHER IF THEY FOUND OUT.
THAT'S A SCARY THOUGHT...
MY PARENTS MAY NOT BE STRICT, BUT STILL...

mrow!
mrow!
mrow
mrow!
THANK YOU, BUNYA-SAN.
What I wouldn't give to be able to hurry up and be an adult already...

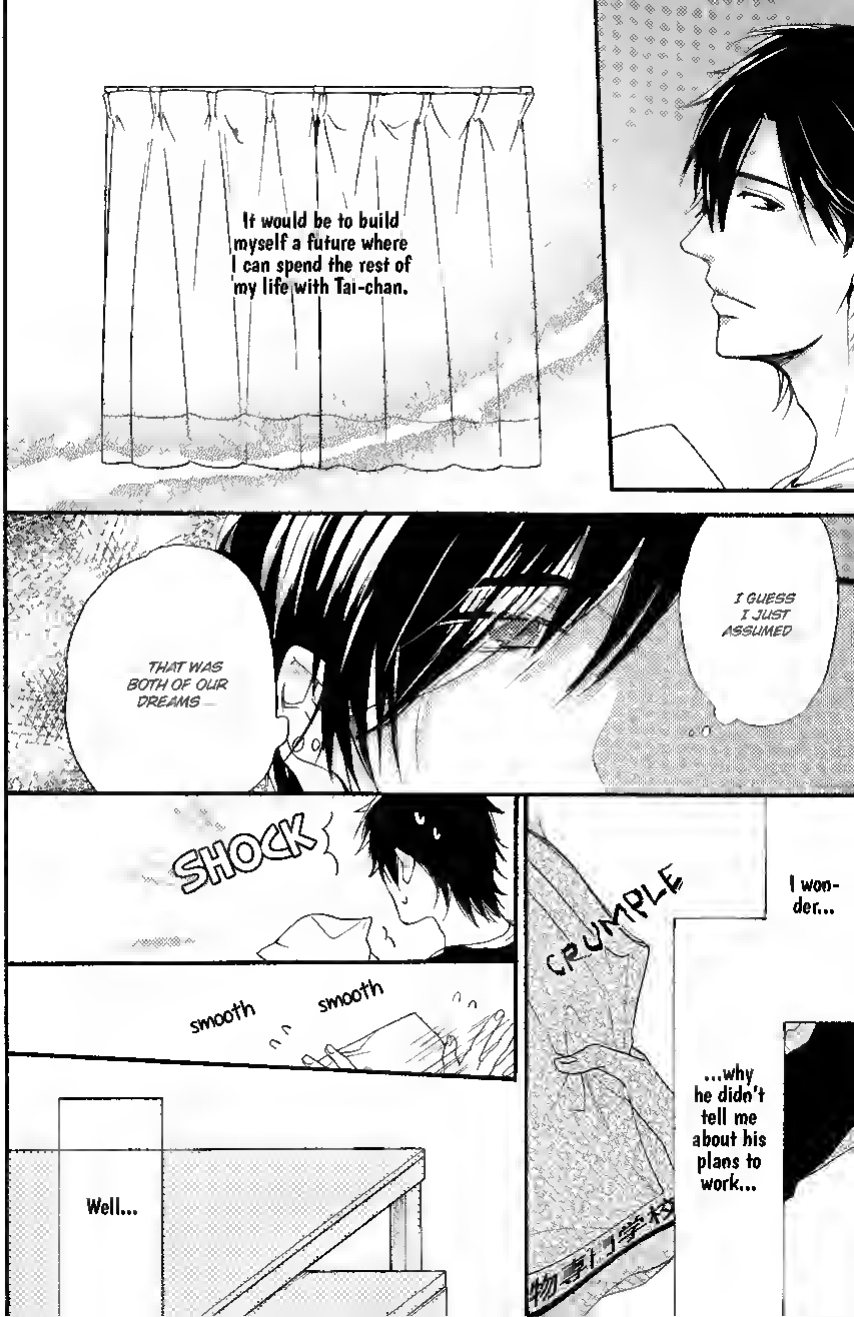
JOLT
"EEK"?
EEK!
Test Results
SORRY... JUST A LITTLE SURPRISED.
WHAT'S WITH THAT "EEK"?
I DIDN'T KNOW YOU COULD MAKE THAT KIND OF SOUND!
HUH? WHAT, THAT BAD?
"Bad" doesn't even begin to describe it...
Let's see
HOLY CRAP, THIS IS A NIGHTMARE!

T--TAI-CHAN?!
ARE YOU OKAY, MAA-CHAN...?
YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT TRYING TO GET INTO A GOOD COLLEGE AND EVERYTHING...
.....
WELL I COULD ASK YOU THE SAME QUESTION! HOW WERE YOURS?
Don't tell me that paper airplane is actually your
Yo, Kuroka-wa!
GRIN
It is indeed what you're afraid of!
ME?
I'LL BE FINE!
GONNA DIVE RIGHT INTO THE WORKFORCE!
I SEE...

RIGHT INTO...
Yup!
Wow, Seri ously?
THE WORK...
WAIT, WHERE?!
SFX: PANIC
A PLACE RUN BY A FRIEND OF MY DAD'S
I MET WITH THE FACTORY FOREMAN THE OTHER DAY. SO I THOUGHT I'D START WITH AN ENTRY-LEVEL POSITION.
AND MAYBE IN THE FUTURE I COULD HELP OUT MY OLD MAN.
I...
I SEE...
I never...
I wonder how far I can make this fly...

toss
...heard a word about this...!!
HERE GOES!
Tai-chan's gonna start working...
sigh
I NEVER STOPPED TO THINK ABOUT THAT KIND OF THING
rustle

THEN WHAT ABOUT ME...?
glance
動物専門学校
I mean, I know he really cares about his father, so it's a choice that really fits him, and a good one at that...
Sure, there are jobs I'd like to go after...and it's not like I haven't given it any thought...
But if you asked me what my dream was, well then...


It would be to build myself a future where I can spend the rest of my life with Tai-chan.
I GUESS I JUST ASSUMED
THAT WAS BOTH OF OUR DREAMS...
SHOCK
smooth smooth
CRUMPLE
I wonder...
...why he didn't tell me about his plans to work...
Well...

I'D BETTER COOL MY HEAD
RATTLE
I SAID I'M NOT GOING!
Though if he'd asked me, I probably would've just said, "That sounds nice."
sigh
TAI-CHAN?
HUH...?

HUH...?
WHAT'S
Whirl
Tai-chan is...

Hahah!
YOU SCARED ME!
SORRY, I DIDN'T MEAN TO EAVESDROP.
NAH, IT'S FINE.
DID... SOMETHING HAPPEN?
glance
NO, IT'S NOTHING.
Here we go!
jump
?
.....

Evenin', Bunya-san!
"MAA-CHAN, HELP!"
SFX: SHOCK
GRAB

CREAK
HUH? MAA-CHAN, WHAT ARE YOU--
AM I THAT UNRELI-ABLE?!
KISS
I--LIKE WHAT?!
BUT I DON'T WANT ANYTHING LIKE THAT TO HAPPEN AGAIN, SO--
I KNOW YOU CAN'T DEPEND ON ME FOR ALL THAT MUCH,
WAIT, WHAT'RE YOU TALK-ING ABOUT HERE?!
TAI-CHAN
TAI-CHAN, YOU...
huff
huff

pun?
!!!
YOU'RE MINE--
MAA-CHAN!
I'm calm again
I...I'M SO SORRY...
THE BLOOD JUST RUSHED TO MY HEAD, AND I...
I REMEMBERED WHAT THAT TEACHER DID TO YOU...
SORRY... I'LL GO AND COOL OFF MY HEAD...

THAT WAS MY MOM ON THE PHONE JUST NOW.
I'M SORRY TOO. I'LL TALK TO YOU ABOUT IT, THEN.
settle
try
SHE SUGGESTED THAT I GO AND LIVE WITH HER...
IN OSAKA.
SHE'S GETTING REMARRIED.
SO SHE WANTED TO SEE ME A-GAIN. AND AFTER THAT,

Note: Osaka is about 6-7 hours away from Tokyo by car.
O...
SAKA...
YEAH. OSAKA
O...
SAKA...
I'M NOT GOING, THOUGH.
SO STOP MAKING SUCH A WEIRD FACE.
I-I-I'm sorry!
I REALLY WANTED TO BECOME AN ADULT YOU COULD BE PROUD OF,
ONE WHO DIDN'T HAVE TO LEAVE BY THE WINDOW.
THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO JUMP INTO THE WORKFORCE RIGHT AWAY.

BADUMP
BUT I DON'T WANT TO DO THAT AT THE EXPENSE OF MOVING FURTHER AWAY FROM YOU THAN I AM ALREADY!
flail
flail
I'M SORRY I DIDN'T TALK TO YOU ABOUT GETTING A JOB
SOOO...
S-S-SO...
HE'S SO...
grab
SO CUTE!!

embrace
THAT'S...
THAT'S TOTALLY FINE!
squee—ze!

I THOUGHT AND THOUGHT, AND THEN I JUST PANICKED...!
We are still...

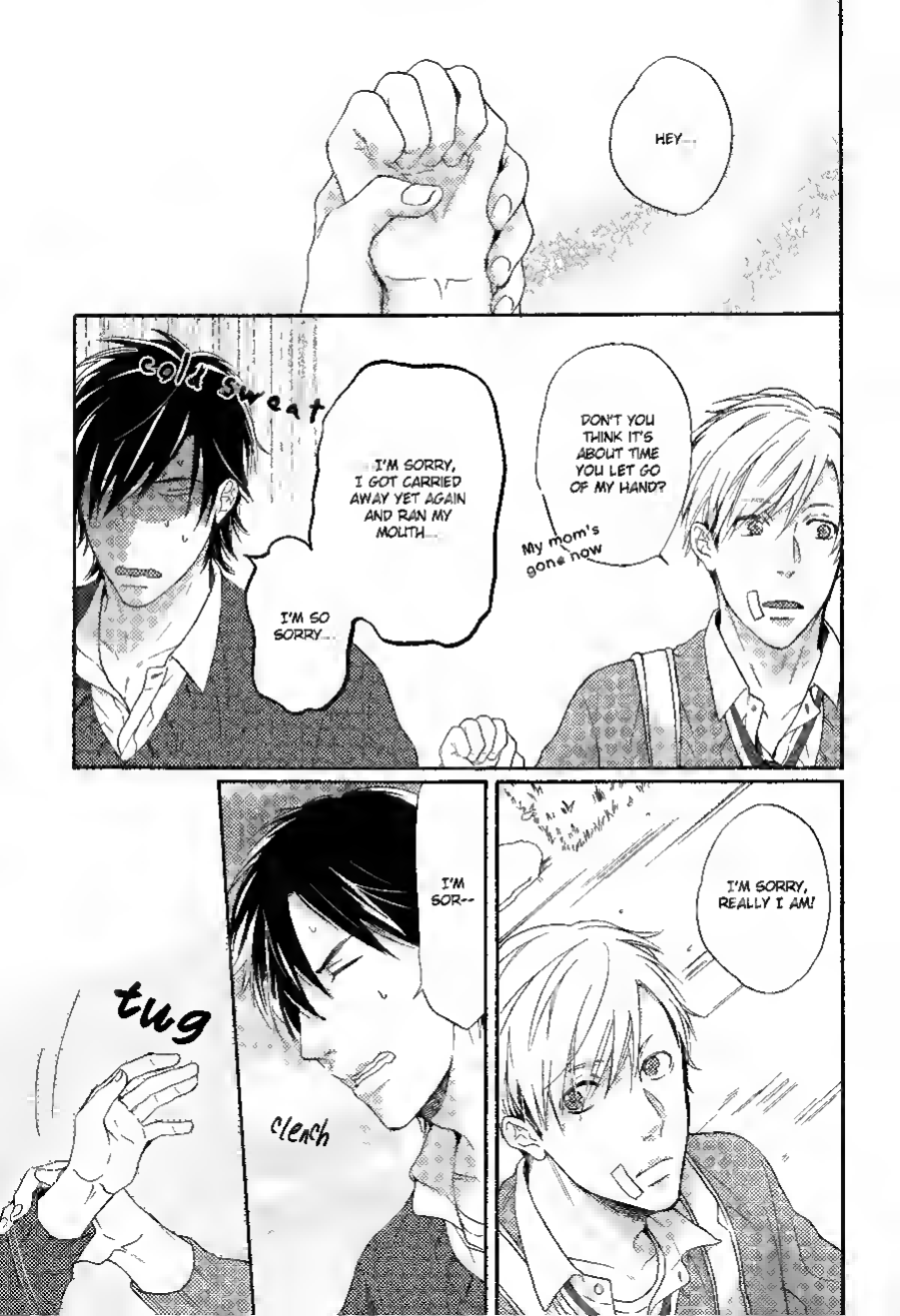
I'M REALLY SORRY TOO!
I'VE BEEN WRACKING MY BRAIN TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW I COULD HELP MAKE IT SO.
...YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO LEAVE BY THE WINDOW.

HOW ABOUT WE DISCUSS THIS...
...TOGETHER?
mrow!
I'M SORRY, TAI-CHAN.
...such children.
There are times where it feels like we're so focused on the future, we can't see the here and now.
So from time to time, it's important to look forward less...
...and beside you more.
OH MY, MASAO-KUN!
LOOK HOW BIG YOU'VE GOTTEN!

MOM?!
YOU'RE LOOKING GOOD AS WELL, TAISUKE!
WE JUST TALKED YESTERDAY! BUT WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "WHAT"?
YOU WOULDN'T LISTEN TO A WORD I SAID!
WE ALREADY HAD OUR TALK YESTERDAY!
AND I'M TELLING YOU TO THINK IT OVER A BIT MORE CAREFULLY!
COME NOW, TAISUKE
COME AND LIVE WITH ME, AND--
REACH

grab
RAISE
TAI-CHAN WON'T BE GOING WITH YOU, MA'AM.

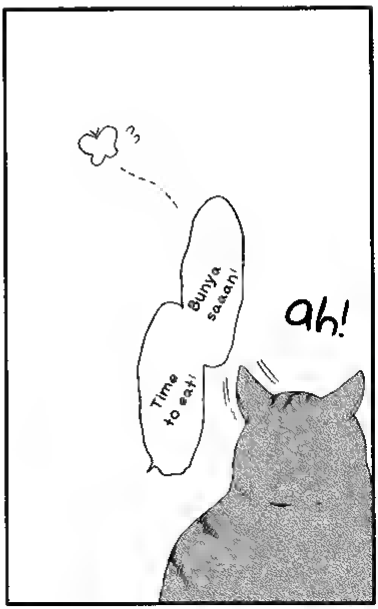
Because he'll be living with me!

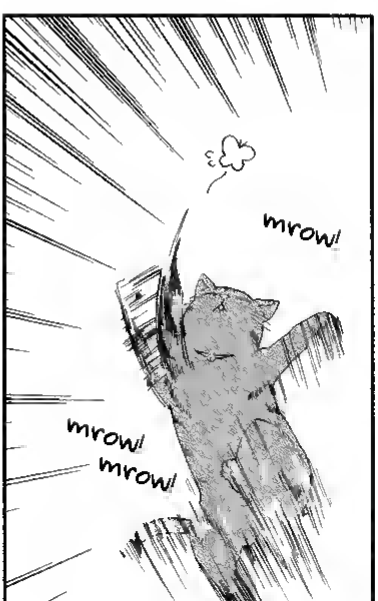

HEY...
cold sweat
I'M SORRY, I GOT CARRIED AWAY YET AGAIN AND RAN MY MOUTH...
I'M SO SORRY...
DON'T YOU THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU LET GO OF MY HAND?
My mom's gone now
I'M SOR--
clench
tug
I'M SORRY, REALLY I AM!

HOW ABOUT WE DISCUSS THAT...
KISS
...TOGETHER AS WELL?
PET SHOP

KIRISHIMA! ARE YOU DONE FOR THE DAY?
YEAH, I'M MOVING TODAY!
Taking a half day!
GASHAN
BEEP
I see, well good work!
You too!
YEAH . YEAH, YUP!
ARE ALL MY BOXES ALREADY THERE? SORRY TO MAKE YOU DO MOST OF THE UNPACKING
I guess I've finally become what you might call an adult...
...but I don't have as much stuff I can do now as I thought I would.
However...
WELL, I PICKED US UP SOME DINNER.
YEAH, I'M ALMOST THERE.
SEE YA.

ME & CAT & FUTURE PREDICTIONS / END


Gunya saaan!
Time to eat!
ah!


mrow!
mrow!
mrow!

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Extra

Me & Cat & Youthful Wandering

I found a kitten on my way home from school one rainy afternoon.

mrow!

The way it trembled, with nowhere to go...I felt a kinship with it, and I just couldn't leave it there.

Hey

TAI-CHAN! WHAT'RE YOU DOING?!

shhh

BUT

THERE'S NO WAY MY DAD WILL LET ME KEEP IT.

What now?

Kurokawa Taisuke (15)

MAA-CHAN!
WHY'RE YOU JUST STANDING THERE SPACING OUT LIKE THAT?!
You're freaking me out!
OH, UH WELL, YOU SEE
Kirishima Masao (15)
sigh
—OKAY, COME BY MY PLACE FOR NOW.
The one who extended a hand to save me...was my childhood friend from next door, Maa-chan.
MROW
Oh

brighten
THANK YOU, MAA-CHAN!
GOOD FOR YOU, KITTY! YOU'VE GOT SOMEONE WHO'LL TAKE CARE OF YOU NOW!
MEOW
nya
Purr
Purr
NAH, IT'S FINE. I LIKE CATS, AFTER ALL—
My mom said she'd take it to the vet tomorrow.
And I live right next door, so I can come visit any time!

reach
glance
.....
BUT BESIDES THAT...
GRAB
squeeze
YOUR DAD HIT YOU AGAIN, DIDN'T HE...?
.....

AH...
IT'S REALLY SWOLLEN...
UMM-
IT'S GOTTA HURT, RIGHT? AND YOU PROBABLY HAVEN'T DISINFECTED IT YET, RIGHT?
W--WELL, NO...
JOLT
MAA-CHAN, YOUR FACE IS REALLY CLOSE...
!?
I...
SWIP
I'LL GO GET SOME BANDAGES!
SHUT
slide

Lately...
whew
WELL,
YOUR NEW MASTER IS REALLY NICE, AFTER ALL
purr purr
My heart's been pounding at really weird moments...
It's not like anything has changed recently, but...
squeeze
Still...
Pawshake!

WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THESE FEELINGS...?
mrow!
Two Years Later...

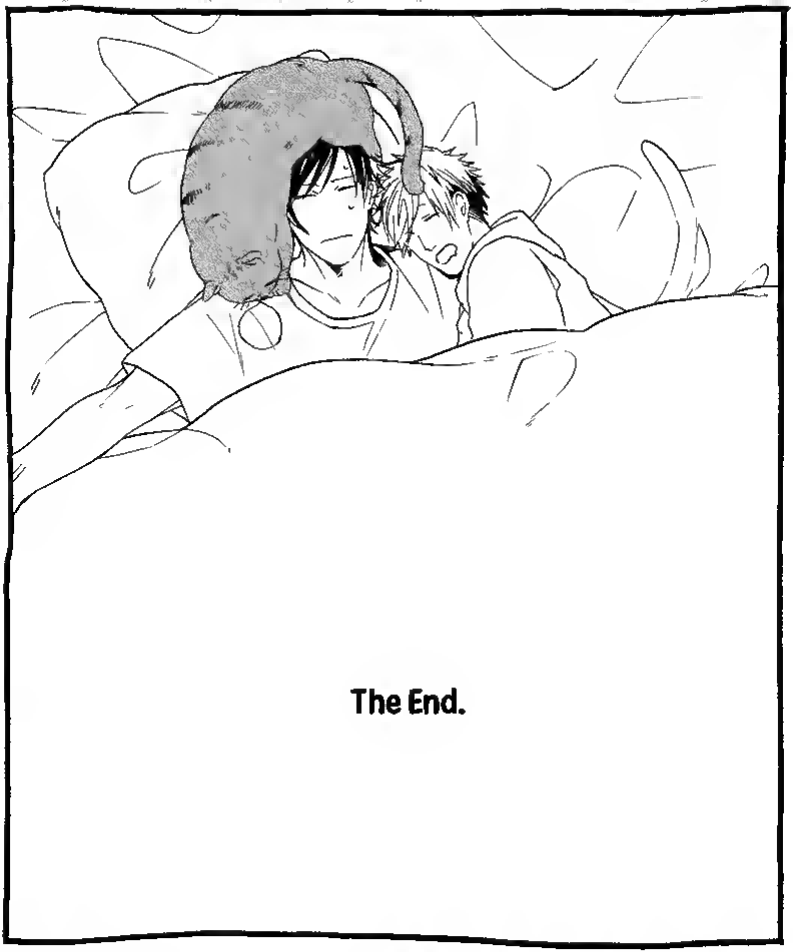
BA-BAM
BAM
.....
SFX: TUBBY
BUNYA-SAN, YOU'VE GOTTEN EVEN BIGGER!
YOU THINK SO TOO??
Whip!

I've figured out what it is I'm feeling...
Ever since then...
Hurry up!
Mmm
I've been giving him his usual amount of food
We're gonna be late!
But it'll still take a little bit longer...
...for things to change between us.

ME & CAT & YOUTHFUL WANDERING / END

Me & Cat & Afterword

MAA-CHAN, MAA-CHAN!
YOU HERE?
I came via the entrance today!
HUH...? GUESS HE'S NOT HERE...
AH!


The End.

WHOOSH
You only move fast when it's time for food

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